# STATE OF WISCONSIN BEFORE THE MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF
DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

PAUL GOCHIS, M.D.,

### Respondent

#### ORDER EXTENDING THE STAY

On February 22, 1996, the Medical Examining Board issued its Final Decision and Order in the above-captioned matter. By the terms of the board's order, respondent's license to practice medicine and surgery in Wisconsin suspended for a period of not less than five years with provision for granting successive three-month stays of the suspension upon submission of proof satisfactory to the board that Dr. Gochis has continued his sobriety, that he has continued to successfully participate in a treatment and rehabilitation program satisfactory to the board, and that he is able to safely and reliably practice as a physician and surgeon.

At its meeting of October 24, 1996, the board considered Dr. Gochis' request, through his attorney, Michael Schaalman, that he be granted a stay of the suspension. Also considered was a letter dated August 29, 1996, from Dr. Charles J. Engel, of the Professional Recovery Network, reporting on Dr. Gochis' progress in recovery. The board granted the request and, by its Order dated November 5, 1996, stayed the suspension of the license for a period of three months.

By letter dated January 24, 1997, Dr. Gochis petitioned for an additional three month stay of suspension, and petitioned as well for a reduction in the number of urine screens to one per week and the number of therapy sessions to one every two weeks. That petition was supported by Dr. Engel. The board considered the request at its meeting of February 26, 1997, and granted the petition by its Order dated March 12, 1997.

By letter dated June 4, 1997, Dr. Gochis requested a renewal of the stay of suspension. He also notified the board that he was relocating to accept a residency program in Michigan. He therefore requested that his limited license be modified to permit him to prescribe, dispense and administer controlled substances; to permit a change in his drug monitoring program consistent with the procedures established by the Michigan Medical Board; and to permit him to change his supervising health care provider. The board considered the requests at its meeting of June 25, 1997, and, by Order dated July 7, 1997, denied the request to permit Dr. Gochis to prescribe and dispense controlled substances, but granted the remaining requests.

On August 21, 1997, November 19, 1997, the board granted Dr. Gochis' requests for further renewals of the stay of suspension of his license.

On February 25, 1995, the board considered a request by Dr. Gochis for a further renewal of the stay of suspension of his license. The board orders as follows:

## **ORDER**

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the suspension of the license of Paul Gochis, M.D., be, and hereby is, stayed for a period of three months.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that respondent shall appear before the board in June, 1998.

Dated this /2 a day of March, 1998.

STATE OF WISCONSIN MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

Wanda Roever

Secretary

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# STATE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF REGULATION AND LICENSING BEFORE THE MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

In the Matter of Disciplinary Proceedings Against

Paul Gochis, M.D.,	AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING
Respondent.	
STATE OF WISCONSIN )	
COUNTY OF DANE )	
I, Kate Rotenberg, having been duly sworn on correct based on my personal knowledge:	oath, state the following to be true and
1. I am employed by the Wisconsin Depar	rtment of Regulation and Licensing.
2. On March 17, 1998, I served the Order Extending the Stay dated March 12, 1998 upon the Respondent Paul Gochis, M.D. by enclosing a true and accurate copy of the above-described document in an envelope properly stamped and addressed to the above-named Respondent and placing the envelope in the State of Wisconsin mail system to be mailed by the United States Post Office by certified mail. The certified mail receipt number on the envelope is P 221 158 850.	
3. The address used for mailing the Decision is the address that appears in the records of the Department as the Respondent's last-known address and is:	
Paul Gochis, M.D. 25570 W. Twelve Mile Rd Southfield MI 48034	Kate Rotentey
	Kate Rotenberg Department of Regulation and Licensing Office of Legal Counsel
Subscribed and sworn to before me	
this 17th day of March , 1998.	
John Calweiten	

Notary Public, State of Wisconsin My commission is permanent.